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PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD 2009 ANNUAL REVIEW

- ➤ The Board endorsed the concept of a Physical Therapy Examining Board. Testimony in favor of AB275 was given before the Assembly's Committee on Health and Healthcare Reform.
- ➤ The Board was represented at the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy annual meeting (FSBPT) October 1st 3rd, 2009.
- ➤ The Board clarified that the use of the appropriate coursework tool (CWT) for foreign educated Physical Therapists means the CWT that was in place at the time of the applicant's graduation from PT school.
- ➤ The Board reviewed Trigger Point Dry Needling (TDN) and decided it is within the scope of practice of Physical Therapy provided the licensed PT is properly educated and trained.
- ➤ The Board was informed of changes in license renewal fees, dates and prorated continuing education contact hour requirements: The new renewal date will be February 28th, 2011. For the current licensing period, required CE contact hours have been prorated from 30 to 20 hours for PTs (4 of which shall be in the area of ethics and jurisprudence) and from 20 to 13 hours for PTAs (4 of which shall be in the area of ethics and jurisprudence.)
- The Board worked with the Department of Regulation and Licensing (http://drl.wi.gov) as they implemented staffing changes.
- Outgoing Board member Otto Cordero, PT, was recognized for his many years of service at the Professional Issues Forum held at the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association's Fall Conference.
- ➤ Current Board members are: public member Enid Mistele, Mark Shropshire PT, Jane Stroede PTA, Michele Thorman PT and Lori Dominiczak PT. The PTACB meetings in 2010 are currently scheduled for March 11th, July 8th and October 7th.

Licensing Activity	<u>PT</u>	PTA
Applications Received	229	106
Licenses Issued	234	92
Renewals (2009 renewal)	4596	1450
Enforcement Activity		
New complaints received in 2009		17
Number of Respondents in the 17 cases		17
Number of the 17 new cases opened		6
Total cases closed in 2009		13
Total closed at screening in 2009		10
Total closed after investigation in 2009		3
Total closed with formal action in 2009		0
Cases pending as of 1/11/10		12